SJF NEWS

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Citizen of the Week

The week's recipient is **Millie Ta** in **Y6** who understands the importance of sticking up for herself without hurting others. Millie is a very special member of our community. She does not always realise how special she is. She has an enormous capacity for kindness and knows why it is important to stick up for herself and others appropriately in line with our 'Statement to Live By'. Congratulations Millie, we are all really pleased with you!



Maths Workshops

There next workshops take place on **Monday 12th November 2018**. The focus is multiplication and division. This follows on from the last workshop which focused on addition and subtraction. There will be joint workshops for parents/carers with children in Years 1 and 2; Years 3 and 4; and Years 5 and 6 lasting 30 minutes. Sessions will then be repeated so that those who have children in more than one Year group can attend more than one workshop if they choose. Child care will be available. The FS2 workshop will be later in the term. Thank you.

Term 2 Smiley Scores









Calendar Reminders

The SJF calendar is available online on the Homepage and in two formats via these links:

- http://www.st-johnfisher.org/parents-and-carers-zone/calendar/
- http://www.st-johnfisher.org/cmsfiles/items/downloads/doclett-20180713194822-9030/SJF%20CALENDAR%20%20(2018-2019).pdf
- 12-11-18 Mathematics Workshop: Multiplication & Division) parents and carers
- 16-11-18 PTFA 'Children in Need' Day (a non-uniform dress down for a £1+ contribution per pupil)
- 19-11-18 Pupil Progress & Target Setting Meetings (2.30pm 5.00pm, School Hall)
- 20-11-18 Pupil Progress & Target Setting Meetings (5.00pm 7.00pm, School Hall)
- 22-11-18 Y2 Liturgy (9.00am, School Hall) Y2 family and friends
- 23-11-18 Celebration Assembly (9.30am, School Hall) Y5 family and friends





Remembrance

Visit of Corporal Harris-Shaw

This week the children in Years 3-6 were visited by one of our parents, Corporal Harris-Shaw, who serves in Royal Air Force. He talked about the role of the RAF and other armed services – and how they all work together as a team. He talked about his particular role and the places he has visited. Corporal Harris-Shaw is a chef and told the children how he had cooked for many people, including the Queen. He talked about why Remembrance Day is so important and why it means so much to service personnel and their families. On behalf of the children and my colleagues I would like to thank Corporal Harris-Shaw for taking the time to come in and meet us.

Learning about Remembrance Day

This week all the children learned about the origins of Remembrance Day and why it is so important in our country. They had an opportunity to reflect and to think and to pray for all those caught up in the First World War and all subsequent conflicts.

Community Service of Remembrance

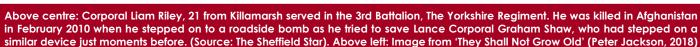
This morning the community came together for our annual Community Service of Remembrance. The Service was led by the young people of Y6 who shared readings, poems and prayers to explain the origins of Remembrance Day and to honour the memory of those injured and killed in the service of our nation. We also remembered and prayed for their families and all civilian victims of war around the world, especially the children. At one point in the service, representatives of each class took part in a simple procession of poppies which were then laid at the foot of a simple wooden cross on the Sanctuary. As 'The Last Post' everyone was silent. Our Y6 pupils led the service with dignity and all the children behaved impeccably! I was so proud of them all.







They shall grow not old,
As we that are left grow old,
Age shall not weary them,
Nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun,
And in the morning
We will remember them.















Internet Safety Workshops

I would like to thank Mr Broadhead for his hard work in planning, preparing and delivering the two workshops this week. Lots of useful information was shared about the current risks faced by children when they go online. We are looking to offer a third opportunity for those who could not attend either of this week's sessions. We are going to try and run it one morning at 9.00am to see if this is a better time for parents/carers. If you would like to attend, please register your interest by emailing us (enquiries@st-johnfisher.org) with your name and the best day(s) for you and we will try to run it again as soon as possible on the most popular day. Thank you.

Writing Champions							
	FS2	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
	Charly	Sebastian	James	Lexi	Marisa	Sophie	Joseph

Golden Children

Y5

FS2	Rebecca for listening really well and for doing the right thing!

Y1 Luca for being so enthusiastic and knowledgeable when Firefight Sam visited the class this week!

Y2 Cavani for listening carefully throughout our 'Be Safe – Be Happy Week' and for showing how to be safe!

Azaan for showing great enthusiasm in all lessons and for helping others in class to be happy! What a star!

Y4 Jacob for having such a positive attitude all week, and for giving everything a good go!

Tyler for making an enthusiastic and very smiley return to school!

Lorenzo for being really organised, polite and for really trying hard to give his best!

Achievements Outside of School

The achievements will be carried forward and included in next week's newsletter. Please pass on details of any achievement outside of school so that we can share and celebrate it (enquiries@st-johnfisher.org).







Appeal for Reading Volunteers

We are looking for more reading volunteers who can commit to coming in to school on a regular basis once or twice a week in order to listen to readers, particularly in Y3. Reading Volunteers fulfil such an important role in school and make a huge difference to our children. If you are interested in finding out more please speak to Mrs Barrett or email us (enquiries@st-johnfisher.org). Thank you.

Attendance this week					
1 st	Y1		99.0%	Bobby Bear will visit next week	
2 nd	FS2		99.3%	Brenda Bear will visit next week	
3 rd	Y4		97.4%	Elvis Owl will visit next week	
4 th	Y2		95.3%		
5 th	Y6		95.1%		
6 th	Y3		95.0%		
7 th	Y5		92.4%		
Target = 98%				Average Attendance = 96.0% 🗸	



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	1 st	FS2		96%
ĺ	2 nd	Y1		95%
	3 rd	Y3		94%
	4 th	Y4		92%
	5 th	Y2		90%
	6 th	Y6		89%
	7 th	Y5		81%
		Average	• =	91%

Collective Worship

Weekly Liturgy of the Word

Our next 'Liturgy of the Word' will therefore be on **Thursday 15th November 2018**, and will be led by the young people of **Y3**. We invite their family and friends to join us in the School Hall just after 9.00am.

Celebration Assembly

Our next Celebration Assembly will be on **Friday 16th November 2018** at just after 9.00m in the School Hall. The family and friends of our **Y6** pupils are invited to join us there.

Be Safe – Be Happy Week 2018



The children enjoyed a special week of learning and activities aimed at promoting their personal sense of safety, happiness and general wellbeing. This year we wanted to focus more on 'self'. We explored the impact of bullying in all its various forms both on victims and perpetrators; focusing on possible causes and considering what can and should be done if we ever experience it ourselves or see it happening to someone else.

Having a healthy outlook was promoted as key to wellbeing and so the children had the opportunity to experience different physical activities and to investigate the positive impact of eating healthily. The children also had special internet safety lessons led by Mrs Finnegan to supplement what is already covered within their computing curriculum. The children also had personal safety lessons using NCPCC resources. I would like to thank Mrs Finnegan as well as our friends from LINKS, Taylor Shaw, my colleagues and our trainees for all their hard work. I would also like to thank the children for their characteristic enthusiasm and engagement.

Please check out the 'Class Zone' on the website for pictures, available via this link:

<u>http://www.st-johnfisher.org/class-zone/</u>



































BBC Children In Need Appeal

Next Friday the children and staff are invited to dress down rather than wear their school uniform in support of the Children in Need charity.

The PTFA is organising a collection on the school gate at the beginning and end of the school day and we invite parents and carers to contribute £1+ per pupil towards this special BBC annual appeal. <u>All</u> monies raised will be passed on to the Children in Need charity by our friends from the PTFA. Please be generous. Thank you!

Statement to Live By

Our statement next week will be 'I try to be just and fair'.

Time to talk:

Together think about what the word 'just' means. Why is it important to be treated fairly? What does it feel like to be treated unfairly? If you know someone is being treated unjustly and unfairly what should you do? Who can you tell? Remember, everyone has the right to feel happy, safe and loved – every day.

There is no true peace without fairness, truth, justice and solidarity.

Pope John Paul II

Best wishes, Mr Barratt



